

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Entitled:
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Franz Heiss	:	FASTENING DEVICE
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Int'l Filing Date: 16 June 2004	:	
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Serial Number: Not yet Accorded	:	Attorney Docket Number 294452-00001

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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12 December 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on Page 2 of this paper.